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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASC, SHUM, NI

SUBJECT: RAY BAKER

REF: A) LAGOS 9828; B) LAGOS 9875

FOR CHARGE

1. WE SUGGEST THAT YOU INFORM FABUNMI THAT DEPARTMENT CANNOT ACCEPT MEA'S POSITION THAT THE PRESSURE WE HAVE APPLIED ON BEHALF OF BAKER IS EXCESSIVE. THIS CASE WAS DISCUSSED BY OUR TWO HEADS OF STATE LAST OCTOBER. IT IS NOT UNREASONABLE FOR BAKER AND THE USG TO EXPECT THAT IT WOULD BE RESOLVED TEN MONTHS LATER. EXCUSES SUCH AS "KEY MAN ON LEAVE" ARE UNACCEPTABLE. FABUNMI SHOULD BE AWARE THAT WE ARE AT THE END OF THE ROPE ON THIS CASE AND IF IT IS NOT RESOLVED PRIOR TO THE UNGA WE WILL SUGGEST THAT THE SECRETARY RAISE IT WITH ADEFOPE IN NEW YORK.

2. AMBASSADOR EASUM CONCURS, AND INTENDS TO FOLLOW SIMILAR
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LINE WITH JOLAOSO WHEN HE MEETS WITH HIM AT 2:30 P.M.,
MONDAY, AUGUST 14.

3. WE NOTE THAT MEA RESPONSE TO NIGERIAN EMBASSY MAKES NO MENTION OF JOLAOSO'S ADVICE TO BAKER THAT HE NOT ACCEPT THE OFFER OF A 90 DAY VISA (STATE 180457).
EITHER THEY HAVE CHOSEN TO IGNORE THIS ADVICE OR JOLAOSO

CONVENIENTLY FORGOT TO REPORT IT. VANCE

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